

I. **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A paste composition for making electrodes of fuel cells, comprising 1 to 20 weight % of a carbon black supporting a hydrogen reduction catalyst, 1 to 30 weight % of an electrolyte, 1 to 50 weight % of an organic solvent with a boiling point of 100 to 200°C, and 30 to 80 weight % of a water-soluble organic solvent with a boiling point of less than 100°C.

Claim 2. (Original) The paste composition according to claim 1, wherein the organic solvent with a boiling point of 100 to 200°C has a solubility parameter of 7.5 to 13 (cal/mol)^{1/2} and is other than hydrocarbon and halogenated hydrocarbon solvents.

Claim 3. (Previously Presented) The paste composition according to claim 1, further containing a dispersant.

Claim 4. (Previously Presented) The paste composition according to claim 1, further containing a carbon fiber.

Claim 5. (Previously Presented) The paste composition according to claim 1, further containing water.